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# THE WEEK

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**Questions or Comments?** City of Falls Church, Harry E. Wells Building, 300 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22046 **703-248-5003 (TTY 711)**

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FOR THE WEEK OF

## CITY CALENDAR

### OCTOBER

- 25** Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.  
Environmental Services Council, 7:30 p.m.
- 27** Farmers Market, 8 a.m.-Noon  
Voter Registration Open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
for Absentee Voting  
Halloween Carnival
- 29** Special Collections  
Last Day for Yard Waste Until Jan. 7, 2008  
Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
- 30** Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.  
Board of Equalization, 7 p.m.
- 31** General District Court in Session  
Operation Safe Halloween, Sheriff's Office  
Board of Equalization, 7 p.m.
- Halloween**

### Three Days Left of “Food for Fines” Week

Library patrons have three days left to participate in the Mary Riley Styles Public Library's annual “Food for Fines” initiative, which ends Saturday, Oct. 27. Patrons can clear their records of library fines by donating food for local community organizations. A single grocery item will cover the fine for a single overdue item; there is no limit to the number of fines you can pay. For more information, call 703-248-5030 (TTY 711) or visit [www.falls-church.lib.va.us](http://www.falls-church.lib.va.us).

### Holiday Craft Vendors Wanted

The Recreation & Parks Division is looking for vendors for the 15th Annual Juried Holiday Craft Show. The Holiday Craft Show will be held Saturday, Dec. 1 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Sunday Dec. 2 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Falls Church Community Center. All items must be hand-made by the vendor. To apply, call 703-248-5077 (TTY 711) or e-mail [recreation@fallschurchva.gov](mailto:recreation@fallschurchva.gov) and request an application.

### Operation Safe Halloween

The City's Sheriff's Office is taking action to make sure your kids are safe trick-or-treating this Halloween. Deputies will patrol residential streets and distribute small treat bags assembled by Sheriff's Office deputies and their families and friends. Deputies work from dusk into the late hours of Halloween night to help keep neighborhoods safe, a program in place since 1990. For more information, contact the Sheriff's Office at 703-248-5111 (TTY 711).



**Register for the City's Online  
Newsletter at [www.fallschurchva.gov](http://www.fallschurchva.gov)**



**alert.fallschurchva.gov**  
**Register to Receive Emergency Alerts**

## Halloween Carnival This Saturday

Halloween starts early this year in the City of Falls Church. The Recreation & Parks Division is hosting a free Halloween Carnival on Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Community Center (223 Little Falls St.). Infants through fifth graders are invited to enjoy carnival games, a moon bounce, face painting, crafts, and candy!

Event festivities are open to infants through second graders from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. From 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. the event is open to third through fifth graders. Spooky storytelling at 6:30 and a live raptor show featuring the birds of prey at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. are open to children of all ages.



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### Your Vote Counts! Register Now for Your Absentee Ballot

The City of Falls Church Voter Registration Office encourages all City residents to participate in the upcoming election, either at the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 6, or earlier by absentee ballot. Qualified voters unable to go to the polls on Election Day may apply for an absentee ballot in three convenient ways:

#### In person:

City of Falls Church Voter Registration Office  
City Hall, 300 Park Ave., Room 101 East  
Falls Church, VA 22046  
Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Saturdays, Oct. 27 and Nov. 3, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Applications must be received in person by 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3.

#### By mail or fax:

Download an application from the City's Web site at [www.fallschurchva.gov](http://www.fallschurchva.gov) and fax to 703-248-5204, or mail to the Voter Registration Office address listed above. Faxed or mailed applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30.

#### Eligible candidates for absentee voting include those who are:

- Students at a school or institution of learning;
- Away from the area for business or personal reasons;
- Unable to visit the polls due to a physical disability or illness;
- Family members or primary caretakers of persons who are ill or disabled;
- Active-duty military, or a spouse or dependent residing with the service member, who will be absent from the locality on Election Day;
- Working and/or commuting for a total of 11 or more of the 13 hours the polls are open;
- Temporarily residing outside the United States.

For more information about absentee voting and the Nov. 6 election, please contact the City of Falls Church Voter Registration Office by phone at 703-248-5085 (TTY 711) or e-mail [vote@fallschurchva.gov](mailto:vote@fallschurchva.gov).

### Fall Leaf Collection Schedule

City crews will vacuum-collect loose leaves through Dec. 14. Residents who wish to have their loose leaves collected by the City are advised to rake their leaves to the curb, but avoid gutters and sidewalks wherever possible.

- **Week of Oct. 29** – Tuesday and Wednesday refuse collection zones (areas south of Broad Street)
- **Week of Nov. 5** – Thursday and Friday refuse collection zones (areas north of Broad Street)

Residents who still have brush or other yard debris to be collected, please note:

- Oct. 29 is the last day for bagged yard waste until Jan. 7, 2008.
- Residents may call for special collection for brush and yard waste for a fee. To schedule, call 703-534-6509.
- There will be no collections Monday, Nov. 12 (Veterans Day), Monday, Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve) or Monday, Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve).
- Yard debris of all kinds (brush, leaves, grass, yard trimmings, etc.) is accepted year-round at the Fairfax County I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 W. Ox Road in Fairfax. Call 703-631-1179 for details.

For more information, visit [www.fallschurchva.gov](http://www.fallschurchva.gov) or call 703-248-5281 (TTY 711).

## Classes and Events

### Special Events Halloween Carnival

Saturday, Oct. 27  
Community Center, 223 Little Falls St.  
Infants through fifth graders are invited to enjoy carnival games, a moon bounce, face painting, crafts, and candy! Event festivities are open to infants through second graders from 6 p.m.-7 p.m.; from 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. the event is open to third through fifth graders. A live “Raptor Show” featuring birds of prey by The Raptor Conservancy of Virginia will be held at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. for infants through fifth graders. Call 703-248-5077 (TTY 711) for more information.

### King's Dominion Fear Fest

Saturday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m.-10 p.m.  
Middle and high school students are invited to join the Recreation & Parks Division for a day of fun and frights at King's Dominion's Fear Fest. Cost is \$40 per person and transportation is provided. To register or for more information, contact Chris Jackson at 703-248-5077 (TTY 711).

### Teen Driving Safe-D Day

Saturday, Nov. 3, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Fairfax County Government Center  
12000 Government Center Pkwy., Fairfax, VA 22035  
Parents and teens are invited to learn in a fun and interactive environment how teen drivers can stay safe. Federal, state and local agencies and private organizations will conduct demonstrations, seminars, and hands-on activities. FREE! Details at [www.TeenDrivingSafeD.org](http://www.TeenDrivingSafeD.org).

### Tree Squad Planting

Saturday, Nov. 17, 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
Location TBD

Experienced tree planters needed to plant trees in the City right-of-way adjacent to properties where owners have requested a free street tree. Learn new landscaping skills and enjoy the crisp fall weather. To volunteer at this event, call 703-536-3049 or e-mail [colsel@verizon.net](mailto:colsel@verizon.net). To see if your right-of-way qualifies for a free street tree, contact the City Arborist at 703-248-5183 (TTY 711) or e-mail [jspence@fallschurchva.gov](mailto:jspence@fallschurchva.gov).

### Classes

The following classes are available and scheduled to begin at the Falls Church Community Center. Call 703-248-5077 (TTY 711) to register or for more information.

### Knitting Workshop (ages 10-adult)

**Yoga for Every Body**  
**AbraKadoodle Art Classes:** Twoosy Doodlers (ages 20-36 months); Mini Doodlers (ages 3-6); Doodlers (first-sixth graders)

### Youth Basketball

Registration open through Nov. 4. There is also a need for volunteer youth basketball coaches. Call 703-248-5077 (TTY 711) for more information and to register.



City of Falls Church  
Farmers Market  
Every Saturday  
from 8 a.m. - Noon

## Fall Community Deliberations on City Center

City residents are invited to deliberate about the future of City Center – the most significant mixed-use development in the City's history. A panel of residents, present and former board and commission members, and the City Manager will answer questions formulated in small group discussions.

#### Deliberation Dates:

Thursday, Oct. 25, 7-9:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27, 1-3:30 p.m.

*Both events will be held at Mary Ellen Henderson Middle School.*

#### Confirmed Panelists:

- Paul Barkley, architect and co-chair of the Chamber of Commerce Legislative Committee (Thursday, Oct. 25 only)
- Paul Emmons, associate professor of architecture at Virginia Tech and member of the Major Design Team that reviewed the Atlantic Realty Companies' recent proposal
- Gary LaPorta, chair of the Chamber of Commerce and proprietor of Miniatures from the Attic (Saturday, Oct. 27 only)
- Steve Rogers, former vice mayor and current board president of the Falls Church Housing Corporation

- Wyatt Shields, City Manager

- Keith Thurston, member of the Village Preservation and Improvement Society Board of Directors

Register to attend at [www.dfccva.org](http://www.dfccva.org) or call 703-927-0531. A draft discussion guide is available at the Mary Riley Styles Library and [www.dfccva.org](http://www.dfccva.org).

Sponsored by Citizens for a Better City, the League of Women Voters, and the Village Preservation and Improvement Society with support from the Center for Voter Deliberation of Northern Virginia.

**Falls Church Recreation & Parks Division**  
**223 Little Falls Street**  
**Falls Church, VA 22046**  
**703-248-5077\***

#### Phone Numbers

Open Gym/Weather Hotline	703-248-5125*
Special Events Hotline	703-248-5178*
Fax	703-536-5125
Senior Center	703-248-5020*/21*

#### Community Center Hours

Monday-Thursday	8 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Friday	8 a.m. - Midnight
Saturday	8:30 a.m. - Midnight
Sunday	Noon - 6 p.m.

#### Open Gym Hours

Open Gym hours are updated on a bi-weekly basis and are also posted on the Open Gym Hotline, 703-248-5125\*. All hours are subject to change.

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